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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In response to the Official Action mailed November 20, 2001, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 42, 43, 44, 47, 46, 48, 49, 50, 50, 51, 52 and 53 as follows:

42 (Amended). A modified nucleic acid molecule of plant origin encoding an EPSPS enzyme, the modifications comprising:

a first modification of a coding sequence that normally encodes a threonine that is located, relative to the gene from which it is derived, at position 102 of the amino acid sequence of mature EPSPS sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3, to encode isoleucine in a mature plant EPSPS sequence; and

a second modification of a coding sequence that normally encodes a proline that is located, relative to the gene from which it is derived, at position 106 of the amino acid sequence

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